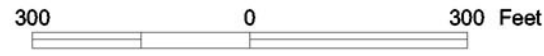
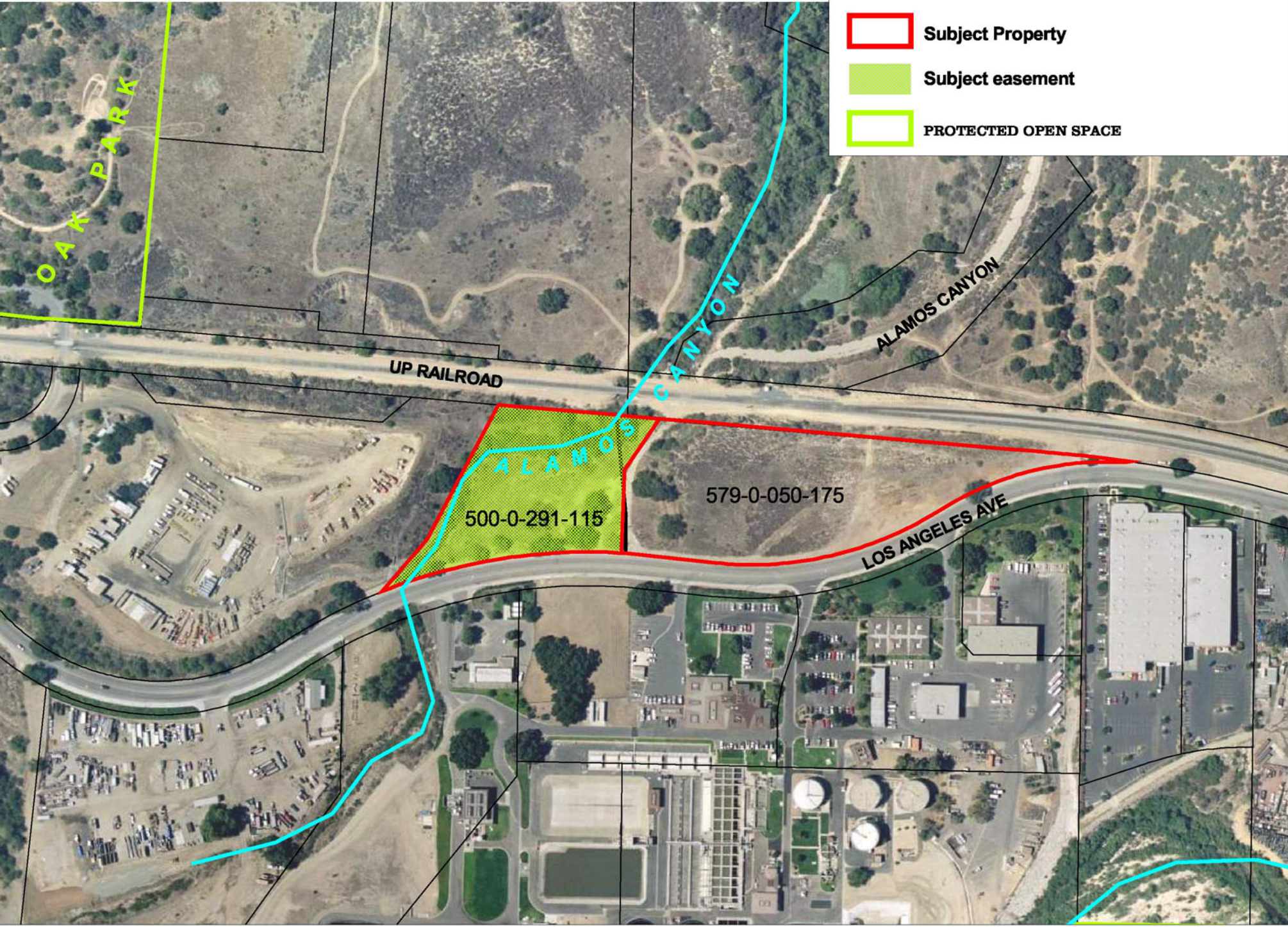


**Attachment
MRCA Item VII
August 17, 2006**

Materials prepared by: C. McLane 8/15/06

-  Subject Property
-  Subject easement
-  PROTECTED OPEN SPACE



SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY GRANT APPLICATION			
Project Name: Alamos Canyon (Donley) Acquisition		Amount of Request: \$ 250,000	
Applicant Name: Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority		Total Project Cost: \$ 350,000 estimated	
		Amount of Match: \$ 100,000	
		Source of Match: In-lieu fee mitigation	
Applicant Address: 570 West Avenue 26, Suite 100 Los Angeles, CA 90065		Project Address: W Los Angeles Ave Simi Valley, CA 93065	
		County	Senate District
		Ventura	19-McClintock
			37-Strickland
Phone: 323-221-9944			
Fax: 323-221-9934		Email: edelman@smmc.ca.gov	
Grantee's Authorized Representative:			
Cara McLane, Contracts Officer		323-221-9944, x117	
Name and Title		Phone	
Person with day-to-day responsibility for project:			
Paul Edelman, Deputy Director for Natural Resources and Planning		310-589-3230, x128	
Name and Title		Phone	
Brief Scope of Work (60 words maximum): Fee acquisition of approximately 2.66 acres in Alamos Canyon, City of Simi Valley APN 500-0-291-115 and 579-0-050-175.			
Funding Source Applied for: Proposition 50			
Narrative/Project Description: The Simi Hills provide the only stepping stone for wildlife to replenish populations in the approximately 200 square mile Santa Monica Mountains ecosystem and link to the Santa Susana Mountains ecosystem. To continue this function effectively, the Simi Hills must ultimately contain enough protected habitat to maintain small populations of wildlife. The watercourses in the Simi Hills must also be protected from pollution and further encroachment by development. The proposed acquisition will contribute to both goals. The subject property is located between the 118 Freeway and West Los Angeles Avenue, on the north side of the City of Simi Valley, and is kitty-corner to Oak Park. The property owner, Donley Trust, is agreeable to the concept of sub-dividing the property into two parts to provide both a habitat linkage and adequate space for development. The MRCA would take title to the western-most portion that includes Alamos Canyon Creek. An appraisal has been ordered based on this split of the property. The MRCA has existing in-lieu mitigation funding to restore the subject 2.66 acres. MRCA staff have discussed with the owner the possibility of accepting clean fill from his development, and using a portion of the future MRCA property to infiltrate/filter and reduce the velocity of stormwater runoff from the proposed project. That effort may include hard concrete infrastructure.			

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The estimated full cost of acquisition is \$350,000; the final amount will be determined after the appraisal is completed. MRCA would use in lieu mitigation fees for the Calleguas Creek watershed for costs exceeding the requested grant amount of \$250,000. Escrow could close as early as early November 2006 barring unforeseen complications.

The MRCA requests that the term of agreement begin August 28, 2006 and end no earlier than June 30, 2007.

Tasks / Milestones:

- 1 Land Acquisition
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6

Budget:

\$ 250,000

Completion Date

December 31, 2006

Acquisition Projects:

APN(s):

Portion of 500-0-291-115 and portion of 579-0-050-175

Acreage:

Approx. 2.66

I certify that the information contained in this Grant Application form, including required attachments, is accurate.

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Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

Interim Form SMM-001

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